

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JULY 8, 2019 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was opened by announcing this was an open meeting of the Common Council. Notice of this meeting was given to the public at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting by forwarding the complete agenda to the official City newspaper, The New Richmond News, and to all news media who have requested the same as well as posting. Copies of the complete agenda were available for inspection at the City Clerk's office and on the City's website at www.newrichmondwi.gov. Anyone desiring information as to forthcoming meetings should contact the City Clerk's office.

Roll call was taken.

Members Present: Mayor Fred Horne, Alderman Kittel, Lindell, Weinmeyer, Montello, Zajkowski and Volkert

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Alderman Montello moved to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Alderman Kittel and carried.

Public Comment

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes from the Previous Regular Council Meeting, June 10, 2019 and Special Council Meetings, June 24, 2019
2. Application from New Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce for a Temporary Class B License for Cyclone Park from July 9, 2019, to July 10, 2019
3. Application for Operator's License from Crystal A. Kraft, Woodbury; John P. Vlasak, New Richmond; Hannah M. Eiling, New Richmond; Connor J. Larson, Baldwin; Tyler C. Hansen, New Richmond; and Robin L. Hanson, New Richmond; Lisa M. Woletz, Ellsworth; Patrice L. Gorka, Star Prairie; Ryan A. Shervey, New Richmond; Tammy D. Johnson, New Richmond; Patricia J. Betterley, New Richmond; Donald K. Schoenherr, New Richmond; Scott S. Denker, New Richmond; and Lisa M. Schurhamer, New Richmond
4. Application for Street Use Permit from New Richmond Fire Department on Arch Avenue from First Street to Second Street on July 13, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
5. Application for Direct Seller's Permit from Mark Casey Dickerson to Sell Area Rugs from July 11, 2019, to August 11, 2019, on North Knowles Avenue
6. Application for Refuse Collection License from Hometown Disposal, LLC
7. Application for Class B Beer and Class C Wine License from Cheyenne C. Evans, Agent for CC Foods DBA Vudu Street Food at 121 South Knowles Avenue

8. Payment of VO#63596 through VO#63704 totaling \$379,099.18 plus electronic fund transfers totaling \$825,767.44 for a grand total of \$1,204,866.62

General Fund	\$1,037,062.37
Impact Fees Fund	32,949.16
Cemetery Fund	12,695.99
CDBG – Housing	138.00
Debt Service Fund	4,166.67
Capital Projects	362.56
Capital Replacement Fund	58,549.08
Landfill Cleanup Fund	7,779.39
Storm Water Utility	9,036.98

Park land Trust Fund	9,080.30
Library Trust Fund	140.00
Recycling/Compost/Yard Waste	32,906.12

9. The Library will hold an invitation only event on July 23, 2019, at The Space with Library Building Stakeholders. The cost of the event will not exceed \$800.
10. Donations:
\$1,000 Jane Larson for K9 Unit
11. Department Reports - Administration, Finance, Planning, Community Development, Public Works, Police, Fire, Library, Airport, and City Clerk

Alderman Montello moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Alderman Kittel and carried.

2019 Crack Fill Bids

Three bids were received for the 2019 crack filling project. The low bid was withdrawn due to a miscalculation of the bid amount. The other two bids exceeded the budget for this project. Staff recommended rejecting all bids for this project. Staff will follow up with the Public Works Committee for further recommendation. Alderman Lindell moved to reject the existing bids for the 2019 crack filling project, seconded by Alderman Montello and carried. There was discussion regarding working with other communities to purchase equipment. Staff will look into this option. St. Croix County does crack filling for other communities so we will contact them as well.

Personal Property Tax Request – Trett Properties, LLC

Rae Ann Ailts explained that Trett Properties requested to have penalties and interest waived on delinquent personal property taxes back to 2016 in the amount of \$1,021.93. We received a letter from them stating the responsible party had not paid the property taxes properly. The City provided proper and adequate notification and assessed interest and penalties in accordance with State Statute 74.47. Staff recommended to deny the request to waive penalties and interest. Alderman Montello moved to deny the request from Trett Properties to waive interest and penalties on delinquent personal property taxes, seconded by Alderman Weinmeyer and carried. Alderman Kittel voted no.

Plan Commission Recommendation – Willow River Bluffs First Addition

Noah Wiedenfeld explained the Plan Commission and Development Review Committee recommended approval of the Preliminary Plat of Willow River Bluffs First Addition. The final plat will come to the Council in September. Alderman Montello moved to approve the Willow River Bluffs First Addition Preliminary Plat, seconded by Alderman Kittel and carried. Alderman Kittel thanked Ron Derrick for creating such a beautiful development.

Plan Commission Recommendation – Federal Foam Certified Survey Map

There was discussion regarding the Certified Survey Map from Federal Foam Technologies. The Development Review Committee recommended approval of the CSM with the following conditions:

- 1) All utility issues are subject to review and approval of the Public Works Director and Electric Superintendent.
- 2) The CSM shall be revised to include an easement for drainage and utilities along the east property line of Lot 26 and the west property line of Lot 27, subject to review and approval by the Public Works Director and Electric Superintendent.

Alderman Zajkowski moved to approve the Certified Survey Map from Federal Foam with the conditions listed above, seconded by Alderman Lindell and carried.

Tobacco Ordinance Update

Chief Yehlik worked with Nick Vivian to update the tobacco ordinance to change the wording from “tobacco leaf” to all nicotine products. Alderman Montello moved to suspend the rules and adopt Ordinance #534, seconded by Alderman Kittel and carried.

Mayor’s Appointments

Mayor Horne appointed Kim Dimick to serve as the hotel representative on the Tourism Committee. Alderman Zajkowski moved to confirm this appointment, seconded by Alderman Kittel and carried.

SOAR Agreement

The Airport Commission recommended approval of the SOAR agreement on June 19, 2019. A new lease is not necessary as there is a current lease in place. Alderman Kittel moved to approve the SOAR Agreement as presented, seconded by Alderman Zajkowski and carried.

Communications and Miscellaneous

Fun Fest starts on Thursday of this week with lots of activities planned. There will be a groundbreaking for the Freedom Park Trail on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. The Fun Fest parade will begin at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday. There will be a Company B send-off on July 17, 2019 at 6:00 a.m. along Knowles Avenue.

Closed Session per State Statute 19.85 (1)(e)(g):

- a) Assessment Litigation - Walmart v. City of New Richmond – Conferring with Legal Counsel – WI Statute 19.85 (1)(g)
- b) Public Property Litigation – Department of Administration Complaint – Conferring with Legal Counsel – WI Statute 19.85 (1)(g)
- c) Downtown Development Interviews – Conducting Business with Competitive Bargaining Implications WI Statute 19.85 (1)(e)
- d) Assessment Services – Conducting Business with Competitive Bargaining Implications WI Statute 19.85 (1)(e)

Open Session – Action on Closed Session Agenda

Alderman Montello moved to approve the contract for assessor services from Accurate, seconded by Alderman Kittel and carried.

No Work Session in July

Alderman Montello moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Kittel, and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Tanya Batchelor
City Clerk